

**ORLEANS**  
Notice—Saint Patrick's dance, in Orleans K. O. T. M. hall, Friday night, March 17. Orleans orchestra, 8:30 to 2:00, 75c. Supper extra, by Maccabee Ladies.  
Roy Clark, of Lake Odessa, came up to see his wife and little daughter, Frances Marie, who have been ill for some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stout, and was glad to find them gaining nicely.  
Honorable L. D. Dickenson, former Lieutenant Governor, of this state, will speak at the M. E. church Sunday evening, March 19. This is a splendid opportunity for the people of Orleans and vicinity to hear one of Michigan's leading citizens. The Mens Quartet will sing.  
Farmers Club program, March 25 at M. and G. hall: song by the club, reading by Mrs. Etola Clemens, music by orchestra, address—home Economics—by Mrs. Louise Campbell from M. A. C., music by Male Quartette, question box conducted by Rev. Wright—leave questions in the question box at post office (Orleans) music by orchestra, dinner at noon.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jay Olmstead were callers of her brother, Sam Clements Sunday.  
Mrs. Huldah Stahl, of Clarksville returned to her home Saturday after a week's stay at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fullert Christensen.  
Mrs. Geo. Clark, of Lake Odessa, called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stout, Friday.  
Mrs. Fred Pitt was in Ionia Saturday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sly and Miss Cushion and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cheney, of Ionia, made a pleasant call on the latter's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoppough.  
Mrs. Ella Frost and Miss Mildred Clements, who are working at Belding, came home Saturday noon to spend Sunday with their parents.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hoppough and children were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hoppough, of Ionia.  
Wm. Renwick, of Milbrook, was a guest of his friends, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stout and family one day last week.  
Mrs. Fullert Christensen who spent last week with her father, Justice Beadle and other friends of Ewart, returned home Saturday.  
Mrs. Clark Hoppough was a Saturday afternoon guest at the home of Mrs. Olive Hoppough.  
About 42 attended the Teacher-Parent meeting which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rob. Paul-

mer and all listened to the fine gram which had been prepared. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doty.  
Messrs. Charlie Edmonds and son, Will, worked at building a garage in Belding last week.  
The Misses Dorothy Wright and Gertie Stout were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Glacier.  
Messdames Della Spaulding, Allie Mares, Jennie Crippen, Nora Palmer and Irene S. Palmer attended Green's Aid which was at the home of Mrs. Don Dean, last Wednesday, and enjoyed it very much.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rowley and son Alden and family drove to Grand Ledge, Sunday, to visit Mrs. Althea Tabor, who is a lady 84 years of age and an aunt of Mrs. Wm. Rowley. They also called on other relatives.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stout and family of Ionia, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stout and family.  
**WHITE'S BRIDGE**  
Mrs. Elmer Compton was a Lowell visitor Wednesday.  
A pedro party was held at Leland Bozung's Wednesday evening and quite a few were there from White's Bridge.  
Mr. Fred Williams was in Belding Monday.  
Mr. Will Dicken went to Detroit Monday, returning Tuesday night. His father, Milo Dicken, returned with him.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Mooney, of Detroit, have moved into Mr. and Mrs. Will Dicken's house and will work for them the coming summer.  
Lloyd Hornbrook will work for Will Byrnes this summer.  
Milo Hornbrook spent Sunday at the Will Pierson home.  
Mr. Merle Miller and family spent Friday with his folks, south of Lowell.  
Callers at the Mosure home Saturday afternoon were Mrs. Floyd Clark and baby and Ed. Murphy.  
Joe Shear and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Divine. Sunday visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Will Dickens' were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reeves and family and John Riepp of Smyrna and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Mooney and family.  
Charles Mosure spent Sunday with his friend, Gerald Cotter, in Smyrna. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shear called on the sick at the Baker home, south of White's Bridge, Sunday evening.  
Floyd Clark spent Sunday with his folks in Keene.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mosure were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Richmond, of Smyrna. Charles Bowen and daughter,

Evelyn, attended the funeral of Grant Higgins, held at the Keene church, Sunday.  
Ed. Mosure, who has been employed at the Lowell Light and Power plant for the past two and one-half years has been transferred to Lowell to take charge of the pumping station there, beginning the first of April. Floyd Clark has been hired to take his place at the plant.  
Talk about the unexpected happening! Well it sure happened Friday evening when friends and neighbors made Mr. and Mrs. Will Dicken a very pleasant surprise.  
Mrs. Dicken had always said no one could surprise her with a party, but she must admit it can be done. Between 50 and 60 were there and cards and games with piano and phonograph music were enjoyed by all and in the wee small hours all departed for their homes expressing a jolly good time.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Mooney are settling in their new home, after staying from Friday until Monday.  
We have just received our new samples and price lists for name cards. All orders filled promptly.  
See "Flower of the North" at the Empress, Wednesday and Thursday.  
**WALL PAPER AND PAINTS**  
I am now ready to take your order for wall paper and paints and can give you quality goods at a saving to you. Am also prepared to hang the paper or spread the paint for you.  
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with Mr. and Mrs. Will Dicken. Quite a few are making maple syrup now.  
**BUSHNELL**  
Clarence Bennett was pleasantly surprised last Monday evening when quite a number of relatives and friends came to spend the evening, which was spent with games and music. Light refreshments were served.  
Mrs. Wm. Soule and children spent Thursday with Frank Pierson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Soule.  
Ed. Smith and S. C. Jenks were Tuesday visitors at Horace Bush's. Arlo Sprague and Clyde spent Tuesday afternoon with Clare Galloup.  
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Howard, of Fenwick visited Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bush and family. They also called on Clare Galloup.  
Miss Bernice Sprague is working at the home of C. E. Chandler, near Butternut.  
Mrs. Charlie Greenhoe visited the Frank Pierson and Charlie Soule families, Thursday.  
The trunk line road across Bushnell is now closed to all outside traffic until the road becomes settled and dry.  
Peter Munger spent a few days of last week with Joe Bennett and family.  
Little Norman and Harold Haysmer spent Thursday night with Flossie and Harley Sinclair.  
Several sugar bushes have already been tapped in this locality.  
At the Republican caucus held on Saturday at the town hall the following were nominated for township offices: Supervisor, Mr. Herrick; Clerk, Ward Whipple; Treasurer, Norman Hiebus; Highway Commissioner, Frank Wolerton.  
Irving Soule, from near Palo, spent the week end with his grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Soule.  
Mrs. George McVeigh and daughter, of Vickeryville, visited Mrs. Octa Galloup and family, Friday.  
A very pleasant evening was spent Thursday when about forty friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monty Soule. Dancing was the feature of the evening. Light refreshments were served.  
Miss Arval Bennett was the Sunday guest of Misses Mildred and Bernice Bennett.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bush and family spent Sunday at the home of John Larsen.  
Ernest Seburg has rented the Fred Simmon's farm for the coming season.  
Fred Reimer, of Palo, called at Orle Galloup's, Sunday.  
Jake Ribble, an old resident of Bushnell, died Friday after a long illness, caused by a stroke. Funeral services were held Sunday from the home of Mrs. Gilson where he has been cared for the past seventeen weeks. Interment in Sheridan cemetery. He leaves a brother, who lives in Bay City and one daughter, Mrs. Ernest Hauk, of Stanton.  
**FENWICK**  
The household goods of Mr. Albert Roof, the new cheese maker, arrived Thursday. They will occupy the Fred Hansen house, north of Main street.  
Robert and Ernie Thomas are busy at present working in their sugar bush. They report that the sap is not running good this spring.  
Floyd McCombs spent Sunday at the home of Chas. Snyder, near Sheridan.  
Mrs. Chester Courser spent Thursday night in Ionia.  
Floyd Robinson, from Stanton, spent Thursday night with his parents, Harry Robinson's.  
Mrs. Scott Conklin spent the past week in town with friends.  
Miss Elmer McCow is reported on the sick list.  
Miss Lila Pierce, who has been working at the home of Lee Williams near Sheridan for the past 7 months is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Siebly, for a few weeks.  
Mrs. Rex Calkins and baby spent the week and with her parents, Lester Doane's.  
Mrs. Robert Thomas spent Monday at Stanton, having dentist work done.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clay White and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Haysmer and children were Sunday guests at the home of Chas. White's, near Sheridan.  
Mrs. Thomas McCombs is spending ten days in Fort Wayne, Ind., on business.  
Peter Monger, of Ionia is visiting his son, Vern and family for a few days.  
Rev. Wood, Adventist minister, from Cedar Lake is still conducting meetings at the L. O. O. F. hall. The attendance is reported large and the people of Fenwick and vicinity have taken very much interest in the meetings.  
Orman Stains spent Wednesday night with Gerald Monger.  
**NORTHWEST KEENE**  
Leon Frost came home from Ann Arbor, Saturday to attend the funeral of his friend, Grant W. Higgins, who died at the Ann Arbor hospital last Thursday after a very serious operation.  
A very large number of friends and relatives gathered at the Higgins home and at the church last Sunday to attend the last sad rites of one of Keene's finest young men, Grant W. Higgins. The whole community was shocked and saddened by the news of his sudden death at Ann Arbor, March 9. He was laid to rest among a profusion of flowers and military services. The Legion of Saranac attended in a body and fired the guns and gave the bugle call in a last farewell to their comrade. All sympathy is extended to the parents, brothers and sisters by a large circle of friends.  
Those from away who attended the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gould, of Muir; Mr. and Mrs. Cannon, of Greenville; Mrs. Will Devering and Mrs. Phoebe Ryder, of Lowell; Lodge Monroe, of Portland and Dell Monroe, of Belding.  
Neil and Charlotte Fashbaugh, of Battle Creek are visiting their uncle H. W. Fashbaugh.  
Mrs. Mable Monroe returned with her sister, Mrs. George Gould, to the latter's home in Muir for a short visit.

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**GRATTAN**  
Mrs. Mary Osmer left Saturday for Detroit where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Henry Larsen.  
Sunday guests at Frank Donovan's were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vanderpool and two sons of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Ed. Whitford, of Belding.  
Mrs. Jay Norton and Mrs. Filmen and son, of Grand Rapids, called on friends here, Wednesday.  
Mrs. Eber Smith and little daughter spent Friday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Claud Elkins.  
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Veltman and Will Vanderveen and family, of Grand Rapids, were Sunday visitors at Harle Weller's.  
John Mason, of Cook's Corners, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Donovan.  
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stokes and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stokes, of Greenville, spent Friday at Don Donovan's.  
Mrs. Manley Whitten returned to her home from the hospital, Tuesday and is feeling much better.  
Mr. and Mrs. Will Lessiter and children spent a few days last week visiting friends and relatives in Grand Haven.  
Fred Johnson and Mrs. Nellie Sayles spent Saturday and Sunday in Stanton.  
Mr. and Mrs. Don Donovan were Sunday dinner guests of Lydia Casner.  
Mrs. Edd Gordon spent several days last week with relatives in Grand Rapids.  
Craig Elkins, of Belding, was the guest of Louland Weller from Saturday until Monday.  
Walter Weeks, of Grand Rapids, called on Grattan friends Thursday.  
Sam Ferguson and family have moved into the Jay Norton house.  
Seamour Lyons and family, of Ionia and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rhodes spent Sunday at the home of Elter Rhodes, in Grand Rapids.  
A few friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs. G. M. Spencer, Thursday, March 9 to help her celebrate her 70th birthday anniversary. A fine dinner was served and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all.  
**Obituary**  
Amelia Wooldridge was born March 9, 1859 in the township of Keene, Ionia county, Michigan. Her life was spent in Ionia county, where she was interested in the Christian and moral betterment of the community and took an active part in organizations devoted to such work. She was married to R. Sherwood Noddins, December 25, 1896, who died August 13, 1920. To them were born two sons, Maurice R. who died when eight years old and Raymond W. Besides the one son and step daughter, Mrs. Mabel Chickering, she leaves to mourn their loss three brothers, George W., Ernest S. and Edward M., also two sisters, Mrs. Anne M. Chickering and Eva W. Pitton, together with many other relatives and friends. The funeral was held at one o'clock from the Chickering home and two o'clock from the Methodist Episcopal church of Orleans Tuesday afternoon. Burial was in the Orleans cemetery.  
**Card Of Thanks**  
We wish to express our appreciation of the kindness and sympathy and the many floral tributes received from our relatives and friends during the sickness and death of our mother.  
Raymond Noddins  
Mr. and Mrs. Berthold A. Chickering.  
**In Memoriam**  
In memory of our dear son, Louis G. Benson, who passed away 13 years ago, March 12, 1909. Gone, though not forgotten.  
Mother, sisters, brother.

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We are going to have a big bargain Sale starting

**Saturday, March 18**  
and ending March 25,  
this will be called

**Spring Opening Sale**

Every line of goods in our big store will be on sale at money saving prices, including all our new spring goods that are coming in every day. We are now busy arranging our store for this Spring Opening Sale, and you will find every item marked in plain bargain price figures. So if you are needing anything in curtain goods, curtain rods, hoisery, glassware, dishes, paints, varnishes, paint brushes, enamelware, hardware and many other lines of goods to numerous to mention, don't fail to come to our store and look over the line that we are going to offer at amazing low prices.

We will have plenty of clerks and will try and give you the best of service.

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**Sale Starts Saturday morning at 10 a. m.**

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